

NIXON'S MOVE SURPRISES EVERYONE

Lansing 'Up Tight' As Panthers Visit

Kicked Out Of Senate Gallery

Legislators Get High Quality Marijuana Gifts

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—Radical White Panthers, who want to legalize marijuana, tried to "blow some minds" in the Michigan Capitol Thursday.

Samples of what state police analyzed as "high quality" marijuana were sent to Gov. William Milliken and more than a score of legislators with instructions bearing the White Panther seal.

When they came to plead their cause in Lansing, carrying small purple Panther banners and a couple red flags of revolution, they were ejected from the gallery of the Michigan Senate.

POTENTIAL RIOT
It was the first gallery closing during a legislative session that Capitol workers—including those who'd worked there for 40 years—could remember. One senator called the situation "potentially riotous."

A brief attempt to force entrance to the governor's office punctuated by Panthers rapping on a glass door with sticks was turned back by police and the Panthers left the Capitol.

The name of the Panthers, who push for elimination of marijuana laws as well as freedom for their jailed leader, John Sinclair, was placed next to a small Panther emblem on a sheet of instructions for smoking "joints," the slang for marijuana cigarettes.

The White Panthers, who reside in Ann Arbor, support revolutionary goals, and such organizations as the Black Panthers. Sinclair is serving a prison term on a marijuana conviction.

"Help Build a Better America!" proclaimed the instructions, which were wrapped around small cigarettes and stuffed into envelopes bearing the official stamp of the Wayne State University College of Education.

QUALITY MARIJUANA
Rep. Loren Anderson, R-Pontiac, immediately called in State Police, who reported there was top quality marijuana in his cigarette.

Rep. Leonard Walton, D-Detroit, quickly called in postal officials, who reported the stamping machine permit, through which the letters had been processed, was that of the university.

Rep. James Smith, R-Davis (See back page, sec. 1, col. 8)



ON GUARD: A Michigan state policeman stands silhouetted at the entrance to the State Capitol Building, on guard after a group of White Panthers showed up to demonstrate in the Senate Gallery. There was no violence but police stayed on after the demonstrators left just to make sure. What's left of the groups mills at the foot of the steps. (AP Wirephoto)

Three Sought For Kidnaping

Banker's Family Released After Ransom Paid

OAK PARK, Mich. (AP) — Police today sought two men and a woman who collected a \$125,000 ransom after holding a suburban Detroit bank manager, his wife and three small children captive Thursday.

Edward J. Kennedy, 30, paid for the release of his family with \$55,020 cash and \$70,000 in travelers checks from the vault of a City National branch which he manages.

Kennedy said that Wednesday night he took a man and woman, in their late twenties and identifying themselves as Tom and Julia Mall, on a tour of his house which is up for sale. When they got to the basement, the man drew a gun from a holster and told Kennedy that

his wife and family would be held until Kennedy got "at least" \$100,000 from the bank Thursday morning.

The Kennedys were locked in the basement and said they heard the woman leave and then a third man arrive for a short conversation with Mall according to police.

Kennedy was allowed to leave the house for the bank Thursday morning and, together with another bank employee and the approval of his supervisors, opened the vault after it's time clock released, police said. Kennedy put the money in a suit case, drove to an intersection that Mall had described and phoned his home as a signal to release his family, according to police.

The FBI says Mall had apparently left the house earlier and by the time Kennedy returned from the phone to his car, the suitcase and money were gone. Mrs. Kennedy and the children were released unharmed, police said.

Police and FBI agents questioned Kennedy at the bank for four hours. When he left he refused comment on the incident, saying only, "I'm concerned about my family right now."

Music by Diff's Trio tonight 9 p.m.-1 a.m. at the Captain's Table Adv.

Dehumidifiers now in stock. Yeskes Appl. 925-0075. Adv.

U.S. Troops Sent Into Cambodia

Red Border Sanctuaries Being Hit

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a stunning turn of policy, President Nixon has launched a surprise offensive by U.S. and South Vietnamese troops against North Vietnamese and Viet Cong sanctuaries in Cambodia.

He declared the assaults were essential to save American lives, continue his Vietnam troop withdrawal program, and help end the war.

Nixon announced his controversial decision to the nation Thursday in a dramatic televised speech in which he acknowledged it might make him a one-term president but argued the stakes were too high for political considerations.

"Whether I may be a one-term president," he declared, "is insignificant compared to whether by our failure to act in this crisis the United States proves itself to be unworthy to lead the forces of freedom in this critical period."

BITTER BATTLE
His decision was immediately assailed by a number of leading senators, although some others praised it. In the immediate aftermath of the speech there was no doubt Nixon faces a bitter and prolonged battle in the Senate.

A White House official said the thrust into Cambodia should last six weeks to two months. Thousands of U.S. and South Vietnamese troops are engaged against an estimated enemy force of 40,000.

About 8,000 U.S. combat troops swept into Cambodia today, 70 miles northwest of Saigon, and began setting up bases for assaults on the headquarters zone of the supreme Communist command for South Vietnam operations.

It marked the first time in the nine-year-old Vietnam war that an American ground force has extended its operations into Cambodia, at least in force.

Scores of U.S. B-52 bombers and nearly 100 artillery pieces blasted the way for the American assault force, accompanied by some 2,000 South Vietnamese troops.

ALLIES LINKED UP
Four South Vietnamese task forces invaded the Parrot's Beak area of Cambodia Wednesday. One of them today linked up with Cambodian troops defending the provincial capital of Svay Rieng.

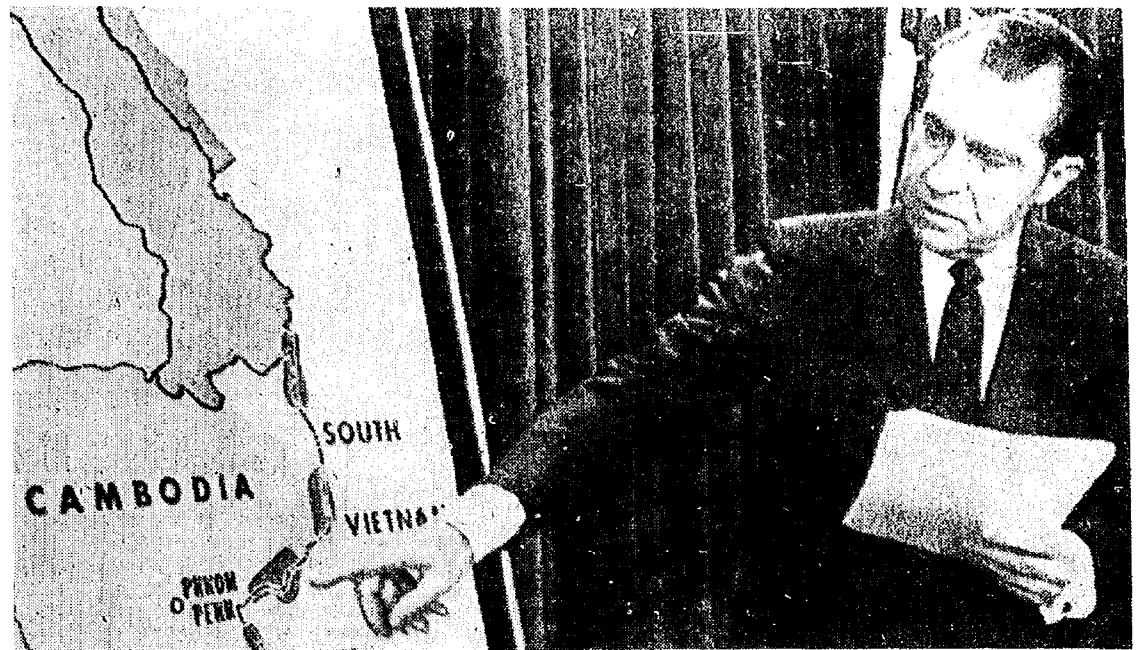
Nixon charged the Communists in the last two weeks have been overrunning Cambodia and turning it into a vast springboard for attacks into South Vietnam. He promised that "once enemy forces are driven out of these sanctuaries and their military supplies destroyed, we will withdraw."

But no one in Washington could predict how much of a fight the enemy forces would put up or how long the new, expanded phase of the war would continue. The reactions of Moscow and Peking, apart from expected angry outcries, were also admittedly unpredictable.

In words which seemed to recognize the risks of Russian and Red Chinese counter-actions, however, Nixon said: "These actions (the strikes into Cambodia) are in no way directed at the security interests of any nation. Any government that chooses to use these actions as a pretext for harming relations with the United States will be doing so on its own responsibility and at its initiative and we will draw the appropriate conclusions."

Congressional leaders were briefed by the President and some Cabinet members immediately before the speech. There was no evidence they had been

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U.S. TROOPS TO CAMBODIA: President Nixon poses in the White House after his announcement to the nation Thursday that American ground troops have attacked, at his order, a Communist complex in Cambodia. Nixon points to area of Vietnam and Cambodia in which the action is taking place. (AP Wirephoto)



THIS IS THE YEAR of the 17-year locust. This spring, billions of the large insects, which actually are cicadas, will crawl out of the ground, responding to a biological clock that ticks off one of the insect world's longest and strangest life cycles. These photos show an adult cicada molting its old skin, top, and after the process, bottom. Larvae will dig into the ground to begin 17 years of tunneling, hibernating and growth, emerging again in 1987.

Slain Officer's Funeral Today

Policemen From 4 States Expected For Mass

Up to 200 policemen from four states were expected today at the requiem mass for Benton township police Sgt. Robert L. Stevens, 36, who was slain Wednesday.

Officers from Ohio, Illinois and Indiana were to join municipal, county and state policemen from throughout Michigan in paying respect to Sgt. Stevens.

The mass was at 11 a.m. in St. Bernard's Catholic church, Fairplain. Burial was to follow in Crystal Springs cemetery.

Richard Willard, president of the Farmers & Merchants National bank, reported this morning that \$1,304 has been contributed to the Robert Stevens Memorial Fund established for the benefit of the officer's wife and two daughters. Contributions are being received at the bank's downtown office and its branches.

A 24-hour honor guard was maintained around the casket as it lay in state at Reiser's Funeral home.

The man charged with first degree murder in the slaying, Earl Everett Harrison, 33, no permanent address was under maximum guard in Berrien General Hospital, Berrien Center. He was transferred from Mercy hospital, Benton Harbor, after being arraigned from his hospital bed before District Court Judge John T. Hammond. A preliminary hearing was scheduled May 14.

Harrison was shot three times by Sheriff's Det. Fred Reeves. Officers said he refused to halt while running from the scene where Stevens was shot. He was reported in fair condition today.

Stevens was slain by his own gun while on a coffee break at the Holmsted restaurant. A man entered the restaurant, ripped Stevens revolver from the holster and shot him in the back.

LBJ Ending His Silence

CHICAGO (AP) — Former President Lyndon B. Johnson will address a Democratic party fund-raising dinner in Chicago tonight, his first public address since leaving office in January 1969.

LMC Parley Begins After Students Call Off Strike

With a four-day student strike called off, leaders of the Associated Students of Lake Michigan college were to meet with LMC President James L. Lehman this morning to begin negotiations on nine student demands.

The students called off their strike at a noon-hour meeting Thursday, after State Senator Charles Zollar told a delegation of student leaders at his Lansing office early Thursday morning he would serve as intermediary in arranging the meeting, provided the strike was dropped.

LEHMAN MEETS STUDENTS
The outcome was the meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. today between President Lehman and

a committee of five student leaders headed by James Carroll. It was Carroll who headed the delegation that drove to Lansing to ask Zollar's assistance.

By phone President Lehman told Sen. Zollar he would agree to set up a meeting with the striking students under two conditions: (1) The strike would be stopped; and (2) no striking would take place during negotiations. Lehman stated, however, that no meeting would take place until the students

had agreed to these conditions in writing.

The students called off their strike Thursday noon and at 4:30 p.m. Lehman received a letter from Carroll stating that the strike had been called off.

Leaders of the striking students waited most of the afternoon for a call from Lehman to set up a meeting. During that time Lehman was waiting to hear from one of the striking student leaders that the strike had been officially called off. Apparently, the students were never informed that President Lehman wanted it in writing that the strike had been called off.

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Rush Starts For Zollar's Senate Seat

Two men today confirmed they will be candidates for the post occupied by State Sen. Charles Zollar (R-Benton township), who is strongly considering running against U.S. Rep. Edward Hutchinson (R-Fennville).

The two, both Berrien county commissioners and both Republicans, are Harry H. Nye of 4716 Hollywood road, St. Joseph, and George P. Reinhardt of 519 Waverly drive, Fairplain.

"I think I understand the people of this district and would like to represent their opinions in Lansing," Reinhardt said in confirming rumors he would file nominating petitions for Zollar's post.

Nye said his candidacy is conditional, that he does not oppose Zollar and will not seek the state senatorship if Zollar chooses to run for re-election.

Reinhardt is 40, personnel manager at Hughes Plastics

in St. Joseph, is a Korean war veteran and has a wife, Barbara, and one son, Richard, 8.

Nye, 58, is a Royalton township farmer, a former member of a number of local government units including Lake Michigan college trustees, Berrien county planning commission, Benton Harbor Market board and Royalton township zoning board. He and his wife, Leone, have four sons — Jerrold, John, Gordon and Dale — and a daughter, Mary.



ROBBERY VICTIM: Edward Kennedy, manager of City National Bank branch at Oak Park, Mich., is shown in his car after turning over \$125,000 to a man and woman who held his wife hostage Thursday. (AP Wirephoto)

THE HERALD-PRESS

Editorial Page

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Teddy Furnishes A Thought For Law Day

This is Law Day U.S.A., first proclaimed in 1958 by President Eisenhower at the behest of the American Bar Association.

The observance is to show Americans the difference between life under a government of laws and that of a government by men.

The ABA deliberately chose May 1st since it is the anniversary of the 1917 Communist revolution in Russia.

The distinction between the two is that while men necessarily must administer the law they themselves are bound by it and along with the objects of their administrations equally subject to its protection, requirements and authority. A government of men rules from the top down and changes the rules as fits their purposes and objectives.

No system is perfect, including our own, for the simple reason that no person nor group of humans behaves logically, justly and forthrightly 24 hours a day.

Ours, however, is still the best coming down history's long, devious pike, much as the hippies, the yuppies and other malcontents strenuously advertise to the contrary.

This is not, though, to still criticism of its weak points.

A major complaint about the American legal system is that its application lacks in uniform impartiality, that there are two systems, one for those who can fend off the law and another for those who lack for such knowhow.

This week a Massachusetts district judge, in effect, ruled that Senator Edward Kennedy, is a beneficiary of this special treatment.

Judge James A. Boyle declared that Teddy lied his way out of an inquest into the accidental death of Mary Jo Kopechne at Chappaquiddick Island last July 18th; that Teddy did not, as he testified, lose his way which took him and the girl over a rickety bridge, nor was he driving the girl to meet a ferry to the

mainland.

On the contrary, read Boyle's opinion, Teddy knew where he was headed, that he drove carelessly in light of the bridge's condition, and that the destination was something other than to catch a ferry.

Boyle concluded on the frustrating note that although the evidence indicates probable guilt on Teddy's part it would fall short of the higher degree of culpability demanded by a trial court.

His opinion and the voluminous evidence taken at the hearing were held under lock and key for months thanks to a sympathetic decision from the Massachusetts Supreme Court holding an inquest conducted in the open could prejudice Teddy's standings before the law. Until that ruling came down, every court in the land had regarded an inquest as merely an investigation into a death resulting from causes not apparent to ordinary deduction.

Even the inquest was put off for months while the Massachusetts authorities racked their wits on what to do with an embarrassing situation for a nationally prominent political figure.

Had the victims been reversed, the reader can imagine the alacrity with which an inquest would have been called.

While a grand jury could carry on from where the Boyle report leaves off, the judge's own assessment of the available evidence weighs against this course. A tardy prosecution, whatever its evidential merits may be, suffers inborne handicaps difficult to overcome.

Chappaquiddick's mud still clings to Teddy's skirts, but the initial fumbling of the case, nothing more than a breakdown in a local legal process, is a sufficient laundering.

The Law Day oratory could well concentrate on the theme of the same treatment for all persons.

Laxity Is Pollution's Ally

What may surprise many people is not that Ohio and Michigan and the province of Ontario have banned commercial fishing in Lake Erie for an indefinite period because of mercury contamination, but that there was any fishing to ban.

Despite the claims of some doomsayers, the lake is not dead; it is "merely" deathly ill.

Until the ban, Lake Erie was producing some 50 million pounds of fish a year, nearly half the total caught in all five of the Great Lakes. Like the rapacious whalers of the oceans, who are ranging farther and farther afield to catch smaller and smaller whales, Lake Erie fishermen have been netting more and more "trash" fish. The more desirable clean water species, such as whitefish, walleye, lake herring and blue pike, have either disappeared or declined drastically in the past couple of decades.

The mercury crisis has thus only accomplished in one full stroke the same end result as would eventually have occurred anyway, the utter ruin of Lake Erie for any purpose other than that of a sewer or ship highway.

This in the long run may be a good thing, though many people will suffer in the short run. For we too easily get used to and accept the gradual deterioration of the environment; it takes a

sudden blight like a killer smog or an oil slick or a fishing ban to provoke us into at least the semblance of action.

"Somebody has just gotta do something," pleaded one commercial fisherman on television after the ban was announced. "Somebody has just gotta do something."

Ohio is doing something, locking the barn door after not only the horse is gone but a lot of the barn itself. That state has announced it will file suits against two chemical companies identified as the main sources of the mercury pollution.

They are a Dow Chemical Corp. plant at Sarnia, Ont., whose discharges have contaminated Lake St. Clair, which empties into Lake Erie via the Detroit River, and a Wyandotte Chemicals Corp. plant on that river.

A Dow spokesman has admitted that the company has put "some traces of mercury into the water from time to time" but said that all mercury dumping was stopped at the first reports of rising concentrations of the dangerous substance in fish.

It should not have been dumped at all, ever, in any amount.

We can talk all we want to about pollution, in terms as alarming as we please, but not until the law begins stepping on the polluters will anything be done. They should be fined so stiffly that they cannot afford not to take whatever pollution control measures are necessary.

This added cost of doing business will, of course, be passed on to the consumer. But 11 million consumers living around Lake Erie are already paying an intolerable price in the piecemeal deterioration of an irreplaceable natural resource.

The United States consumes about \$2 billion worth of potato chips, pretzels, nuts, crackers, spreads, and other snacks annually. The average person also drinks about 20 gallons of sodas and fruit-flavored beverages each year.

ALL IN ONE BOWL



GLANCING BACKWARDS

HARRY JOE BROWN TO JUDGE PARADE

Harry Joe Brown, a Hollywood producer and a native of Benton Harbor, will be one of the judges for the 1969 Grand Floral Parade on May 17, it was announced today by Jim Flaherty, parade judge chairman.

Brown is the fourth personality to be named a judge for this year's parade. Previously selected were: Floyd Brown of WMAQ radio in Chicago; Dr. George M. Whitehead of the Michigan Agriculture department; and Tim Wood, reigning men's world figure skating champion and olympic silver medalist.

CHINESE JUNK DOCKED IN ST. JOE

That Chinese junk in drydock at the St. Joseph River Yacht club is authentic, and it belongs to Jim Perkins of Benton Harbor, who plans to sail it on the Great Lakes this summer.

Perkins bought the junk from the estate of a New York advertising man, who had ordered it built by the Ngai Hink yards of Kowloon, Hong Kong.

WILLIAM RITT

You're Telling Me!

The highly civilized Inca Indians never developed a system of writing — Factograph. Perhaps they were smarter than we think.

As the man at the next desk sees that Alaska item it's a case of the old Gold Rush being a flash in the pan compared to this Cold Rush.

RUTH RAMSEY

Today's Grab Bag

THE ANSWER QUICK!

1. Kandy was the ancient capital of what country?
2. Who was Milliades?
3. What was the real name of the American humorist, Bill Nye?
4. Who wrote "To a Wild Rose"?
5. The former kingdom of Montenegro is now part of what country?

WATCH YOUR LANGUAGE

TERSE — (turs) — adjective; neatly or effectively concise; brief and pithy.

IT HAPPENED TODAY

On this day 1873 the first penny postcards appeared.

IT'S BEEN SAID

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm. — Emerson.

BORN TODAY

To many high school and college students the name of English poet, essayist and critic Joseph Addison is invariably coupled with that of Irish born English playwright and essayist, Richard Steele.

The Addison-Steele combination wrote a famous series of essays known as "The Spectator," a picture of the social life of the early 18th century. They also collaborated on "The Tatler," predecessor of "The Spectator."

Addison, along with Steele, perfected the essay as a literary form.

STORM LASHES FRIGID WEATHER

May arrived in Michigan today on the heels of a blustering snow storm and driving rain whipped by a 40-mile gale roaring off Lake Michigan from the north.

Michigan's May day storm coincided with tornadoes which swept through southern Illinois, southeast Missouri, Arkansas and Texas causing at least 12 deaths and property damage estimated in the thousands of dollars.

BARBER MOVES

Harry Tichnor has moved his barber shop from 421 State

street to 523 Pleasant street.

DANCING PARTY

Miss Mary Wilkinson entertained 25 friends at a dancing party at her home Saturday.

SEASON OPENS

Many local sportsmen took advantage of the opening of the brook trout season and enjoyed a day at nearby streams.

FREIGHT LOAD

The Puritain transferred a large amount of freight yesterday to the C. & W. M. railroad. There was one consignment to Grand Rapids of 10,500 pounds of jelly.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,
The Herald-Press:

OFFICIALLY CREATED POLLUTION

We try to convince everyone that polluting our environment with smoke and refuse is bad. We force industries to spend millions of dollars on smoke control devices. We ourselves are forced to pay \$50 to \$100 more for our new cars to have them equipped with pollution control equipment. Yet I have just witnessed a fire in St. Joseph township which was undoubtedly by official burning permit, belching huge columns of black smoke over the entire area.

This particular fire got out of hand and required five fire trucks to extinguish the flames. But the point of the whole thing is this: local authorities permitted this fire and others like it.

How do you sell anyone on the idea of pollution control when governments give their blessing to this kind of irresponsible activity?

Has the national and international effort to protect our environment passed right over the twin cities?

The air in my home in St. Joseph, more than two miles from the scene of this fire, was fouled and stinking as a result. Ten to 20 firemen spent hours on the scene, along with the five fire trucks. How much did this fire cost the taxpayers of St. Joseph?

Joseph township in dollars alone, not to mention the permanent damage to our atmosphere?

And what do our kids think when they see us ignoring our own warnings?

Is it any wonder they mistrust and disbelieve us so called responsible adults?

Here we spend untold million proclaiming the ills of pollution and then allow a demonstration like this. Where does it end? Who will begin to put a stop to this kind of thing?

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ASSAULTS MILLIKEN FOR EARL WARREN STATEMENT

It was disconcerting for me to read a small item on the front page of your newspaper of April 25, Earl Warren Day Called, and on the back page, Arrests Not Doing Job: Police Researcher.

For Gov. Milliken to proclaim Sunday Earl Warren Day and for him to say "The enlightened judicial decisions were inestimable" and at the same time to speak at a Fight for Freedom dinner, I know that there is a big fight to take away my freedom to farm; now you tell me what he means by this. Earl Warren voted over 90 per cent of the time in favor of our Communist Conspiracy and now Gov. Milliken thinks it is so great that we must set aside a day for him. Do you think the Governor could have thought of this all by himself?

What in the world is this Whirlpool branch Scientific Research Society of America? It seems that about every paper has something about Whirlpool this and Whirlpool that and now it is the Police. The article stated that the Supreme Court decisions protecting the rights of the individual (this means the criminal) have been regarded as the scourge of law enforcement. This probably refers back to the Warren Court. What kind of hanky-panky is this?

IRMA COLLIER
Watervliet

YOUR FUTURE

The outlook is less propitious than last year's. Today's child will be very materialistic and self-centered.

HOW'D YOU MAKE OUT?

1. Ceylon.
2. He was the victor at the Battle of Marathon.
3. Edgar Wilson.
4. Edward MacDowell.
5. Yugoslavia.

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking Of Your Health

What is wrong with an eight-year-old girl who plays with her breast. She is the eighth child in the family of nine girls and has been scolded by me and her older sisters every day. What can I do to help her quit this habit?

Mrs. I. A. K., Arkansas

Dear Mrs. K.: The rest of your letter does not need exact repetition but it does indicate that your little girl derives some sense of security by what she does. To be constantly scolded by seven other children and her parents cannot be considered the ideal way to Dr. Coleman give your daughter the feeling that she is loved.

All you are doing by ganging up against her is isolating her further and making it necessary for her to seek some feeling of being wanted and loved. In essence, she is loving herself, possibly because no one else does.

If you really want to help this child you must develop a greater understanding of her special needs. Surround her with love and avoid embarrassing or shaming her. Discuss this entire problem with your doctor. If he feels that a psychological consultation is necessary, he will then arrange it. A great many psychological tests are now available which can quickly, and in many cases, pinpoint her underlying problem.

By helping her in this way you will also help the rest of the family in their relationship with each other.

Every once in a while I get a sharp sticking pain in the lower back. It then disappears and may not come back for months. Can this be trouble with my sacroiliac joint?

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

You are the dealer, neither side vulnerable, and have bid One Diamond. Partner responds One Heart. What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

1. ♠Q96 ♥74 ♦AK82 ♣AJ93
2. ♠A8 ♥K6 ♦AQ9876 ♣AK92
3. ♠A3 ♥AJ87 ♦AK8643 ♣K5
4. ♠K7 ♥93 ♦AKQ982 ♣A96

1. One notrump. The only bids worth considering are one notrump or two clubs. Since an opening bid of one in a suit may range from 12 to 21 high-card points and have all kinds of distribution, it is important to pinpoint the size and shape of the opening bid as soon as possible.

The one no trump rebid describes the hand very accurately. It states that the opening bid was of the minimum class (12 to 15 points) and that the distribution is balanced. A rebid of two clubs would not be so definitive, since it would suggest greater distributional values, perhaps including a singleton or a void. Furthermore, two clubs could be based on a hand containing many more high-card points. The notrump rebid describes the hand accurately in both high cards and distribution; a rebid of two clubs would create an ambiguity that partner might be unable to resolve.

2. Two clubs. This hand is far more promising than the previous one, but it is necessary to proceed cautiously, since partner's response does not guarantee more than 6 points.

The two club bid allows the greatest scope for further investigation. If partner passes, game chances become almost nil. If partner bids again, you take strong action to show that the opening bid was not of the minimum class. A jump to three diamonds over one heart is not inconceivable, but it would not describe the hand as well as two clubs does.

3. Four hearts. You can't really settle for less than a game, since it's hard to imagine partner losing four tricks, and by far the best way of getting to game is by bidding it directly. The leap to four hearts is by no means a closing bid; on the contrary, it implies interest in a slam. It would be wrong to bid three hearts or three diamonds, either of which partner might pass.

4. Two notrump. It is true that a jump to two notrump in this sequence signifies 18 or 19 high-card points, but you can certainly afford to relax the usual requirements in view of the solidity of the diamonds.

Point count should always be regarded as a flexible tool. This hand is clearly superior in playing strength to most hands containing 18 or 19 points with which you would jump to two notrump without a qualm.

BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

Young Pussifer threw his school books into the corner, rejected a plateful of cookies for the first time in his life and reported, "I got an F in history today, our class lost its basketball game, and somebody swiped my new wrist watch. This was positively the worst day I've ever been to!"

Old-time theatre buffs will long remember the night that Constance Collier broke in a new show at Philadelphia's Walnut Street Playhouse. The part called for her to sweep onstage with two huge wolfhounds in tow. The footman duly announced Miss Collier's arrival and in she strode with the wolfhounds. Unfortunately, the dogs took one look at the spotlight, panicked, and dragged Miss Collier across the stage on her derriere, straight through the fireplace. It took ten minutes for the audience to stop roaring with laughter, but then Miss Collier gamely reappeared — this time minus the wolfhounds.

QUICKIES:

A close friend of Zsa Zsa Gabor reports that the first three words of English she ever learned were Van Cleef and

Mr. N. B. Rhode Island
Dear Mr. B.: It could be, of course, but it could also be one of a dozen conditions varying from neuritis to neuralgia to arthritis to muscle strain, and even to slipped disc. But the chances are unlikely that you have any one of these.

The medical term is hexenschuss (hexen meaning witches and schuss meaning a stick). Sometimes, the sharp pain may be the result of back strain.

Before any of these conditions are treated, the exact diagnosis must be made by neurological examination and by X ray. Only then can a proper treatment be started.

Can intolerable itching be caused by taking an antibiotic — one that has been used before without any trouble?

Mrs. R. Z., Indiana
Dear Mrs. Z.: Itching of the skin is in reality a form of pain and passes through the nerves in the same way as pain sensations do. Itching can be far more distressing than pain.

There are small sensory cells in the skin which are highly sensitive and which can reflect side reactions to antibiotics and other drugs. It is difficult to explain why one suddenly develops an unusual reaction to a drug which one has previously taken without difficulty. It is well known that people can be sensitized by taking a drug, and later react strangely to it. It is for this reason that the promiscuous use of antibiotics is avoided by so many doctors.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Rapid eating is not conducive to good digestion.

These columns are designed to relieve your fears about health through a better understanding of your mind and body. All the hopeful new advances in medicine reported here are known to doctors everywhere.

Your individual medical problems should be handled by your own doctor. He knows you best.

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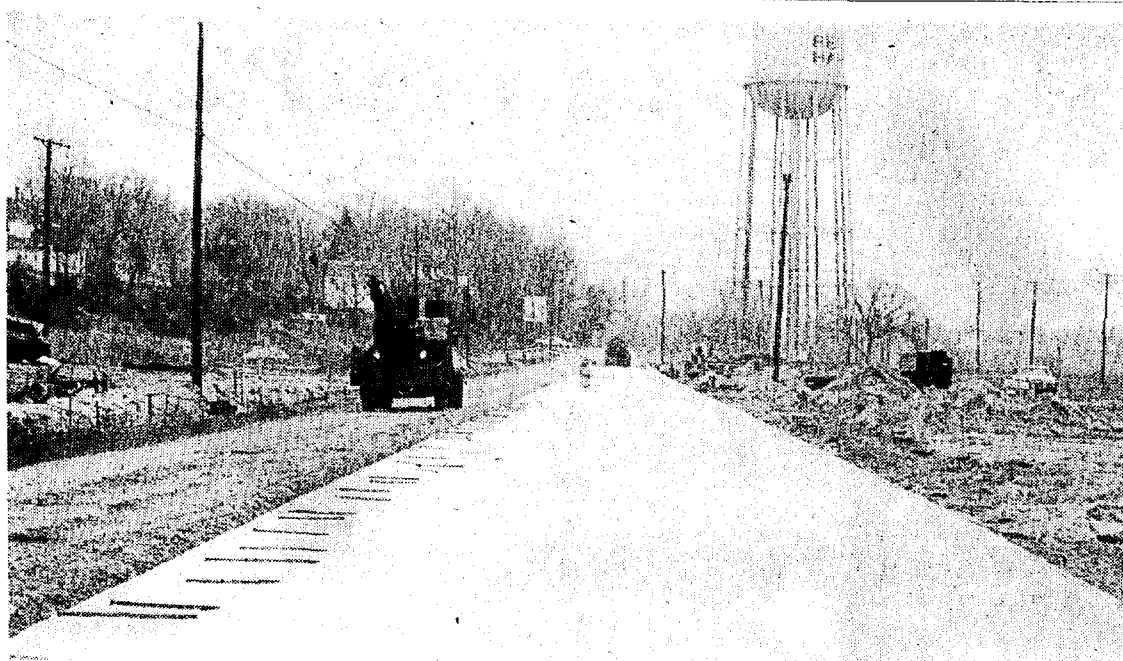
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DETROIT BANK WINS LAKESHORE BONDS BID



'FLATS' RECONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY: Paving of Eighth street in Benton Harbor's "flats" area has started as tangible evidence of urban renewal progress. Eighth street will be a one-way route in-

tersecting with Colfax avenue at Kline street. Colfax will then become one-way between Kline and Main street. (Staff photo)

Official Says Rate Saves \$250,000

BH Institution Participates In Proposal

Bonds worth \$2,935,000 were approved for sale last night by the Lakeshore school board at an interest rate of 7.1791 per cent over the next 29 years. The money will finance classroom construction and an auditorium and site acquisition.

The lowest of three bids received was accepted by the board. Low bidder was the Bank of the Commonwealth in Detroit. Highest was 7.272736.

Schools Superintendent Lionel Stacey said the lowest bid should save the district about \$250,000 over the next 29 years in light of the fact that the current interest rate for bonds has been around 7.65 per cent.

Other bidders and their interest rates were, Northern Trust Co., Chicago, 7.25 per cent; and Halsey, Stuart & Co., Inc., 7.27 per cent.

APPRECIATES BID

Stacey said the Northern Trust Co. bid included the Inter-City bank, while the Halsey firm included Berrien Securities Co. Both are headquartered in Benton Harbor. Stacey complimented the local firms for helping stimulate interest in local construction.

The bond issue was approved by voters of the Lakeshore district. The sale of bonds will finance additions to three elementary schools, remodeling of Baroda elementary, additions to the high school and an 800-seat auditorium. Other projects will be a new school bus garage, a high school machine shop and acquisition of future school sites.

Stacey said district architects now will seek construction bids from contractors. Stacey said the construction contracts should be awarded by about May 27 and construction should begin about June 15. Completion of construction work is scheduled for Aug. 1, 1971.

Joining Stacey in praising the interest rates obtained in today's market was William G. Albreath, assistant superintendent, who said:

"We feel we are quite lucky to get a low bid like this because so many bonds are going for 7.2 per cent and higher."



DARKNESS DURING DAYLIGHT: When power fails in a virtually windowless building everything stops. Students in St. Joseph's Upton Junior High school used one of the props in their school play "Onions in the Soup" to light up a room Tuesday. From left are Marcia Clark, Julie Zerbel and clerks Mrs. Elaine Taylor and Mrs. Betty Thompson. (Staff photo)

Mobile Home Project Nixed At Stevensville

Citizens' Objections Numerous

Councilmen at Stevensville denied a request for a permit to build a mobile home park in the village after conducting a second public hearing on the permit last night.

Denial of the permit to Al Grams, St. Joseph developer, was based on objections that the location of the park is not suitable for mobile homes and the area seemed to be moving toward industrial usage.

Grams had planned a restrictive 80 to 90 unit park on 14 acres of land north of Johnson road with an estimated investment of \$250,000. He first

explained his project to the public at a hearing held April 16. Councilmen were presented with plans in early February.

INDUSTRIALIZED Charles Ott Jr., trustee who made the motion for denial, said the property location was fast becoming industrialized and wasn't proper for a model mobile home park.

No one in the audience of 24 residents made that objection in earlier discussion but a few other objections were raised. At the first hearing no objections were raised, only questions.

Complaints last night ranged

from the non-esthetic value of a trailer park and the amount of money for water and sewer assessments, to a general, "I don't want a trailer park in the village."

Two spokesmen against the trailer park, both apartment owners in the village, objected to the number of sewer benefits the park owner would be charged compared to their own costs as owners of multiple dwellings.

George Ritter and William Bloom both said they felt charges should be the same for Grams project as they are for their apartments.

James Small, the village representative to the Lake Michigan Shoreline Water and Sewer Authority, explained to both men that every person would pay the same for water and sewer benefits.

"It doesn't matter where they live, (in a trailer park or house) each person is going to pay the same; either by the sewer rates, a special assessment district or higher charges for hook-ups," he said.

Ritter also asked the council what it would do about a village ordinance on required lot sizes if the mobile home park project was approved.

"We have an ordinance that states lot sizes must be at the minimum, 75 feet by 100 feet, equal to 7,500 square feet. Lot sizes in this park are smaller—so the council would just be going backwards," he objected.

John Smietanka, new village attorney, told Ritter that the council could do one of two things in this instance; either approve an amendment to the present ordinance allowing for trailer park lot sizes or make a new ordinance for trailer parks alone.

Smietanka also explained to the residents that the council couldn't refuse the permit on the basis that residents "just didn't want a trailer park in the village."

BETTER REASON NEEDED "The law currently says denial of a park can't be based on the fact that it is a mobile home park. A reason must be cited that the park might be hazardous to the village in terms of sanitation or health," he explained.

In answer to one question, Smietanka said objections based on esthetic reasons probably would not hold up in court.

A few residents did speak for the mobile home plan, with the stipulation that taxes be fair and equitable for everyone. One man said there was a need for a park because people do need homes, and the property in question was not suitable for residential expansion.

SEEKING FOURTH TERM LANSING (AP)—Rep. Clifford Smart, R-Walled Lake, has announced Wednesday he will seek a fourth term in the Michigan House. He represents the 60th district.



JOHN N. NEUMANN

Real Estate Man Opens SJ Office

Takes Michigan Exam For License

A 38-year-old St. Joseph man, John J. Neumann, has announced the opening of a new real estate office, Mark-I Realty, at 2034 Washington avenue, south of St. Joseph.

Neumann, a graduate of Benton Harbor St. John's high school, received his broker's license recently, following a comprehensive state examination.

He has been employed by the Totzke Real Estate agency, Benton Harbor, for the past seven years as an agent.

A graduate of St. Louis university in 1954 with a bachelor's degree in marketing, Neumann has also received a certificate in real estate studies from the University of Michigan school of business.

The new broker spent three years in the United States Air Force, 1954 to 1957, spending his active duty as a navigator-observer. He currently holds the rank of captain in the Air Force reserve.

Neumann is married and he and his wife, Bonnie, have two children, David, 12, and Richard, 10. They live at 711 Botham avenue in St. Joseph.

INJURES KNEE WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Republican Leader Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania is nursing a wrenched knee, the result of a tumble from a speakers' platform.

AT 3 SCHOOLS

BH District Schedules Kindergarten Sign-Up

Kindergarten roundups for three units in the Benton Harbor school district will be held the first week in May.

Registration at Bard will be May 4 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; at Hull May 7 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and for the Lafayette-North Shore-Eaman area May 5 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Lafayette school.

All children must be five years old on or before Dec. 1, 1970. Parents are requested to bring birth certificates and immunization records. Parents are not required to bring children. Present kindergarten students will be dismissed on registration days.

Doctor Takes Over Practice

Dr. Woodford Going To Calif.

Dr. Hackley E. Woodford, a Twin Cities physician who is moving to California, has announced that his practice will be assumed by Dr. Max M. Allen, Buchanan.

Dr. Allen, a graduate of Chicago College of Osteopathy in 1950, has practiced in the Buchanan area for the past three years.

He is a native of the Dowagiac area and graduated from Dowagiac high school in 1952. He graduated from Western Michigan University in 1956.

Dr. Allen interned at Grand Rapids Osteopathic hospital and spent three years in residency at Riverside hospital in Trenton, Michigan.

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CREDIT CARD LAW

DOVER, Del. (AP) — A new state law permits persons to reject unsolicited credit cards and absolves them of responsibility for loss or use by others of such cards they have not used at least once. It was signed Thursday by Gov. Russell W. Peterson.

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BH High Planning Summer Courses

Registrations Being Taken For Six-Week Sessions

Registrations are now being accepted for the 1970 summer school session of Benton Harbor high school.

Don Farnum, summer school coordinator, said the session will run six weeks, June 22-July 31. Hours are 8-10 a.m. and the fee is \$25 for one class or \$45 for two classes.

The summer school is open to all area high school students. Credits are transferrable to any high school.

Class offerings are world history, U.S. history, American government, economics, algebra, general math, geometry, English (four years), art I and II, typing I and II, wood shop, developmental reading, sociology, architectural drawing, physical education (golf), tennis, swimming, bowling, archery).

Registration can be made with Director Summer Session, Benton Harbor High School. Present eighth graders are eligible to enroll. Students may take classes to make up deficiencies or acquire advance credits.

Paramount Promotion Announced

Chief Engineer Position Filled

A change in the position of chief engineer was announced today by Paramount Die Casting — Campbell, Wyant, and Cannon Foundry Company Division of Textron Inc.

Peter A. R. Findlay has named Edgar B. Schacknies as chief engineer effective May 1. Schacknies succeeds Findlay, who was recently named vice-president and general manager of Paramount.

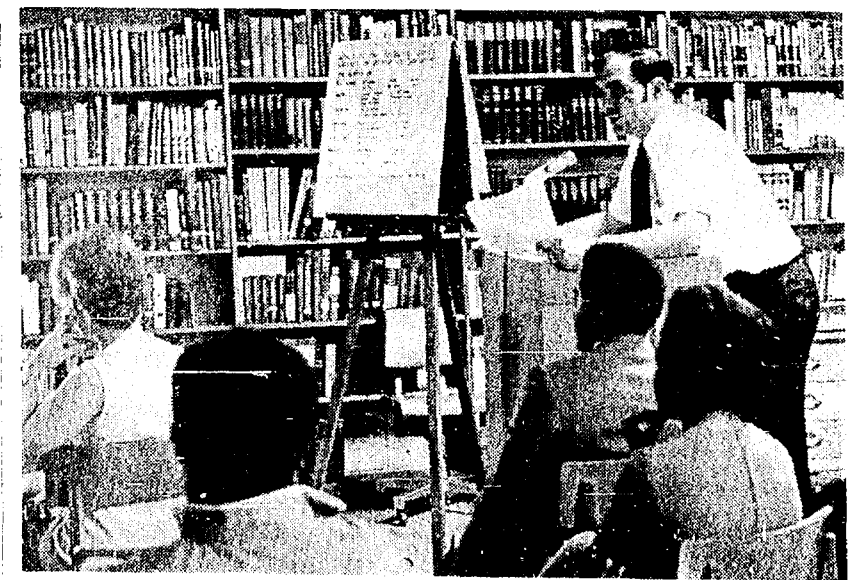
Schacknies has been with Paramount since 1967 and has served as chief project engineer since 1969. He is also active in the Society of Die Casting



EDGAR B. SCHACKNIES

Engineers. Schacknies will assume the responsibility of design, process, and plant engineering and also quality control.

He resides in Stevensville with his wife, Bonnie, and their four children.



SURVEY SUMMARY: Don Masini explains findings of an 11-page survey sent to social agencies by the Twin City Human Resource council. A special council meeting was called at Benton Harbor high school last night to consider the results, which Gene McFadden, outgoing council chairman, says will lead to a master plan for the various problem areas. On the basis of returns from 45 agencies dealing with social problems, Masini, of St. Joseph, urged that specific goals be set, that agencies consolidate efforts to eliminate overlapping, that old programs be eliminated as new ones are added. He also recommended a central planning council to establish priorities. (Staff photo)

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BERRIEN OK'S RECORD BOOST IN VALUATION

Air Patrol
Helping At
Scout FairFine History
Of Civilian
Group Recalled

Whether it is finding something as big as a forest fire or as small as a little boy the Civil Air Patrol can trace its history for successful searches back to World War II.

It was on Dec. 1, 1941 — six days before Pearl Harbor, that the Civil Air Patrol was organized.

The Blossomland Composite squadron was organized in this area shortly after World War II. The local squadron will set up a communications system at the Youth Fair Grounds Saturday for the annual Boy Scout Fun Fair at Berrien Springs.

PROVIDE ASSISTANCE

Capt. Raymond L. Hill of Coloma, commander, said fixed and mobile radio stations along with walkie-talkies will be scattered over the fairgrounds to provide assistance in parking, traffic control and be available to help find lost youngsters or provide information in case of an accident.

The Blossomland unit has 24 members. Two of its members are pilots.

The Civil Air Patrol has a approximately 21,000 mobile and airborne radio stations throughout the U. S. to provide assistance and emergency services to the U. S. Air Force and Civil Defense units. The radio units can be integrated into a nationwide emergency communications system at any time, Capt. Hill said.

The patrol is a nonprofit group. Its pilots flew millions of miles in search and rescue missions, on coastal and bomber patrol, target towing, forest fire detection, and other operations during World War II.

Sixty four Civil Air Patrol members have lost their lives in carrying out missions. A total of 825 air medals and 25 war department decorations for exceptional civilian service were awarded during World War II alone.

Its purpose today is dedicated to furthering airpower by active promotion of both military and civil aviation.

Meetings are held on Tuesday nights in the U. S. Army reserve center, 1874 M-139, Benton Harbor. Meetings start at 7 p.m. Anyone interested in the Civil Air Patrol is invited to attend, Capt. Hill said.

Traffic Deaths

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
May 1 state police count
This year 593
Last year 636



OVER AND OUT: Blossomland Composite squadron of the Civil Air Patrol, will furnish radio communications for the Boy Scout Fun Fair Saturday at Berrien Springs. Testing units are from left Capt. Raymond L. Hill, Coloma, commander; C/S Sgt. Scott E. Hansen, Berrien Springs and SM Julius A. Butler, Coloma, executive officer. (Staff photo)

Church Council Opens
Drive To Raise Funds\$40,000 Needed For Debts
And Improvements

The Berrien County Council of Churches has launched a \$40,000 capital funds campaign to wipe out debt and make improvements at the Migrant Hospitality center in Sodus township and at Camp Warren, north of the Twin Cities.

The total debt on Camp Warren and the Migrant Hospitality center is \$25,000.

The Rev. Edward Goodman, executive director of the council, said a group of anonymous advance givers has provided a substantial boost for the drive. Their payments to date have been with the stipulation that each dollar be matched by churches of friends of the council. So far, \$4,000 has been raised.

"None of these funds are going for interest, but only to

retirement of principal," said Robert L. Kibler, chairman of the special finance committee. "The funds are being kept in a separate bank account to assure givers none of their contributions will go for operating expenses."

Elimination of debt means savings of nearly \$4,000 a year in payments on principal and interest will be realized, Kibler said, "thus making it possible to do a better job through the regular ongoing operations."



ROBERT L. KIBLER
Heads Campaign

Public Works Post Created
By Berrien County Board

Second Probate Judge Also Wanted

Berrien county commissioners Thursday voted to create one brand new county post — director of the public works department — and were told they'll have to create another, a second probate judge.

The county has been "extremely fortunate" to get by without a public works chief for the department, which was created in 1966 and oversees millions of dollars in tax-supported water and sewer projects throughout the county, according to the public works board secretary, Commissioner Lamont Tufts.

But now the county must spend at least \$18,000 a year for a director or run the risk of public works board errors, he said. The board currently has no permanent staff but has been using 80 per cent of the time of Berrien Planning Director Thomas Sinn, Tufts added.

Local governments using the county faith and credit for bonding and public works board services are expected to pay most or all of the new director's salary. Commissioners okayed a resolution by Commissioner Edward Grieger to create the director's post and referred it to

county affairs and finance committees for further consideration.

POPULATION UP

Commissioner Otto Grau, reporting on an opinion from Berrien Prosecutor Ronald J. Taylor, said the county must create another probate judge because county population fits a 150,000 - 250,000 bracket requiring two judges by state law.

The county knew the second judge was in the offing but not until 1972, Grau indicated.

County officials expect to be told by census officials May 6 that Berrien's population has passed 150,000. Supervisors will go through the formality of a vote creating the second probate judgeship at the next board meeting on May 18.

Candidates for office will have until June 16 to file nominating petitions with the county clerk in advance of the August primary and November elections.

Berrien county currently has one probate judge, Ronald Lange, earning \$20,500 annually and overseeing not only probate court but juvenile court on the third floor of the courthouse, St.

Joseph. Judge Lange frequently has commented on the need for an additional judge.

In other actions, the board:

• Returned a petition for annexation of 229 acres of land in New Buffalo township to New Buffalo city to county development committee for further study of sufficiency of signatures. Assistant Prosecutor John Smietanka said required 100 signatures of city residents were not received. Property involved is owned by Chesapeake & Ohio railroad and by Barry Metals Co.

• Approved the sale of 22 walnut trees on old county farm property, Berrien Center, for \$22,910 bid submitted by Henry Glancy, Montpelier, Ind. The original high bid of \$25,243 by Sherman Arnold of Decatur, Ind., had been withdrawn by the bidder.

• Adopted a new policy under which county will pay 25 percent, instead of 50 percent, of the cost of replacing unsafe bridges in the county secondary road system. But board approved paying 50 percent of cost of a bridge to replace a structure in danger of collapse on Dohm road over Pipestone creek in

Sodus township. Total cost of new bridge was estimated at \$15,000. Commissioner Edwin O'Brien, roads and bridges sub-committee chairman, said county highway commission probably will absorb that 25 percent share of future bridges that county is dropping.

• Authorized Sheriff Forrest (Nick) Jewell, head of Berrien county civil defense, to participate in a federal surplus property purchase program and pay service charges for such purchases after finance committee approval.

• Bought three new sheriff's squad cars from Roti Motors, Benton Harbor, for \$5,567.75 maximum, including three trade-ins.

• Bought \$2,777.50 worth of legal forms for Fifth District court from Doubleday Brothers.

• Approved advertising grants of \$600 each from Berrien Youth Fair, Blossomtime and Western Michigan Tourist association.

• Voted to lease a home in Niles owned by Niles city at \$125 a month for the Berrien county health department migrant health program. The lease runs five years and the program will pay for it.

Chairman
Poorman
Breaks TieSeveral Townships
Plan To Appeal
Tax Increase

The biggest annual boost ever given Berrien county's equalized valuation in history was approved Thursday by the board of commissioners when Chairman Frank Poorman had to cast a tie-breaking vote.

The action set the total equalized valuation of all taxable real and personal property in the county at \$705,079,298, a boost of \$108,895,286, or approximately 18%. The county's total tax base figure last year was \$599,184,012.

An attempt to trim \$27.5 million off the valuation of real property was defeated when Board Chairman Poorman was called upon to vote in order to break a 10-10 tie. Commissioner Kenneth Wendzel has offered an amendment that would have reduced a \$55 million hike given to the values of existing property in an equalization study completed in February by the county equalization department.

APPEALS PLANNED

It was immediately clear, however, that at least three, and perhaps 8 or 10, townships will appeal the valuations assigned to them by the board's vote.

In fact, when he voted not to lower the \$705-million valuation figure, Poorman invited as many units as wish to appeal to the State Tax commission by the May 4 deadline for appeals. Township Supervisors Harry Gast of Lincoln, Orval Benson of St. Joseph and Raymond Valvoda of New Buffalo declared they will appeal. Other townships that reportedly may appeal include Oronoko, Coloma, Watervliet and Chikaming. The battle over the tax base figure was in sharp contrast to the easy fashion in which the commissioners adopted a tentative budget for 1971 spending. The preliminary budget calls for expenditure of \$7,821,313, or a hike of almost \$1.7 million over the current budget of \$6.1 million.

The budget accepted yesterday, however, is expected to undergo considerable pruning before it is given final approval in October, according to Lad Stacey, chairman of finance committee, and Ernest Chase, chairman of the budget subcommittee.

The soaring boost given to the tax base included \$74,688,730 in real property values and \$31,205,556 in personal property. The real estate hike includes \$55 million in additional values assigned to existing properties by the equalization department, and about \$19 million worth of property coming onto the tax rolls for the first time.

In seeking to pare the \$55 million added valuation given existing real property, Commissioner Wendzel said the equalization department had admitted that discrepancies were contained in its figures because it had made major changes for several townships that had protested early.

Commissioner Harry Nye declared adoption of the full figure would serve to drive agriculture out of Berrien county. Because some farm land is sold for other higher value purposes, the equalization study extended the higher values to other farmland despite the fact there was no market for the other property at the accelerated prices, he stated.

NOT ANTI-BUSINESS

Commissioner Edward Mattix of St. Joseph, chairman of the board's equalization committee, countered that personal property in St. Joseph had been increased about \$9 million. "We could say that is trying to drive industry out. But we're not."

Mattix said there are other remedies for inequities that may exist, namely through appeal to the tax commission and to the courts. Those who protest should go that route and not attack the work of the county equalization department, he held.

The commissioners who voted against the proposed \$27.5 million cutback in the property valuation were: R. J. Burkholz; Ernest Chase; Sheridan Cook; Leslie Fischer; Michael Govalto; Victor Greer; Edward Mattix; George Reinhardt; James Stevens; Lamont Tufts, and Chairman Poorman.

The 10 voting for the cut were: Gust Anon; Richard Fleming; Carl Gnodtke; Otto Grau; Edward Grieger; Warren



FRANK POORMAN
His Vote Breaks Tie

Lake; Harry Nye; Edwin O'Brien; Lad Stacey and Kenneth Wendzel.

As adopted, the townships have 61 per cent of the tax base and the cities have 39 per cent.

President
Of Music
Boosters

JACK FENNEL

SOUTH HAVEN — Jack Fennel of Second avenue has been elected president of the newly organized Instrumental Music Boosters here.

The Boosters group was formed to obtain scholarships to music camps for deserving students, assist with maintenance of uniforms and offer services wherever needed during music events during the year.

Other officers named during the meeting Tuesday at L.C. Mohr high school were Steve Yardie, first vice president; James Duval, second vice president; Lucy Maxwell, secretary; Mrs. Victor Ridley, treasurer; and Mrs. Harold Wolf, public relations director.

Speechleading the organization, until officers could be elected were Jack Jensen and Gordon Nienhuis. Nienhuis was named director - at - large.

The organization's next general session will be May 26, at the high school.

Truck, Berry
Pickers FoundReported Missing On Trip
To North Carolina

SOUTH HAVEN — A flatbed truck loaded with two giant blueberry picking machines manufactured here was found abandoned near Detroit Wednesday, five days after it had been reported missing.

The truck driver today was reported still missing by an official of Erickson Trucking Co., Muskegon.

The Erickson Co. truck left here April 20 with the two picking machines, manufactured by Blueberry Equipment Co. and valued at \$39,000. The machines were to be delivered to a customer in Wilmington, N.C.

The trucking firm spokesman said the flatbed truck and picking machines were found undamaged and another driver was assigned to deliver the load to North Carolina.

The original truck driver was identified by state police from the South Haven post as Paul Adams, 34, of Muskegon. The present whereabouts of Adams and his reasons for leaving the truck and load are not known.

The original complaint of the missing truck was filed April 24 by the trucking firm with the state police post at Grand Haven. Troopers were told that the truck left South Haven April 20 and was to have arrived in North Carolina April 22 or April 23.

Troopers were told that the driver was supposed to notify his office on his locations daily, but no word has been received from him.

Michigan Public Service commission weigh stations along a route filed by the driver said they have no record of the vehicle having passed their scales. Troopers said information on the missing vehicle has been supplied to the Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) computer.

Information on the truck being found came from the Muskegon trucking company official when contacted by a representative of this newspaper. The official said his firm had not notified state police of the truck's recovery, but would do so at once. It was not revealed who discovered the abandoned truck.

Kindergartners
To Be Registered

COVERT — The elementary school of Covert will hold its kindergarten round up Monday, May 11, from 9 a.m. to noon, and 1 to 3 p.m. for all children who will be five years old by Dec. 1, 1970, according to Mrs. Jean Hansel, clerk. Mrs. Hansel said all children should have their birth certificates and immunization records with them.

Housewife
Files For
Board Post

MRS. DAVID FENSKE

SOUTH HAVEN — Mrs. David (Marjo) Fenske, a housewife with three school-age children, has become the first candidate to file a petition for election to one of three seats in the South Haven board of education election.

Mrs. Fenske is seeking one of the two four-year terms in the June 8 election.

Incumbents Louis Rodenhous, Mrs. Merton Jones and Reuben Yelding have not filed for re-election, but reportedly are circulating petitions.

Mrs. Fenske, 38, is a 1950 graduate of South Haven high school and holds an A.B. degree with a major in sociology from Albion college.

She has had both fulltime and substitute teaching experience in school systems in Michigan and Arizona.

Her husband is an ophthalmologist practicing in South Haven.

Mrs. Fenske has been an active member of the South Haven Community Arts Council, South Haven Community Orchestra and Chorus. She was vice-president of the Central junior high school Parent-Teacher association in 1968-69. The Fenske children attend grades third, fifth and eighth.

Deadline for filing petitions is May 11.

Berrien's Equalized Valuation
Figures For 1969-70 Compared

The following table shows the new equalized valuations set for real and personal property in the townships and cities of Berrien county for 1970, plus the total equalized value for each unit in 1969:

1970 VALUATION AS EQUALIZED		1970 Total Valuation		1969 Total Valuation	
	Real	Personal	Real & Personal	1969	Total Valuation
TOWNSHIPS					
Bainbridge	\$ 9,207,434	\$ 1,049,164	\$ 10,256,598	\$ 8,587,124	
Baroda	6,515,535	1,894,979	8,410,514	6,782,974	
Benton	37,144,971	17,799,987	54,944,958	47,936,605	
Berrien	9,224,081	1,084,915	10,308,996	8,634,180	
Bertrand	7,239,794	589,995	7,829,789	6,771,585	
Buchanan	8,675,535	1,788,698	10,464,233	8,806,720	
Chikaming	20,267,170	2,062,130	22,329,300	18,262,592	
Coloma	13,055,284	2,834,341	15,889,625	12,490,350	
Galien	3,865,085	813,575	4,678,660	3,680,293	
Hagar	12,365,098	2,326,470	14,691,568	13,380,516	
Lake	12,567,425	2,357,707	14,925,132	13,790,732	
Lincoln	36,831,992	10,526,916	47,358,908	40,775,923	
New Buffalo	17,518,141	1,217,470	18,735,611	14,275,902	
Niles	34,497,699	6,177,403	40,675,093	36,225,465	
Oronoko	21,583,178	3,096,168	24,679,346	20,343,348	
Pipestone	7,217,689	647,155	7,864,844	6,620,666	
Royalton	9,059,863	1,536,951	10,596,814	8,471,770	
St. Joseph	39,375,687	3,896,846	43,272,527	35,629,439	
Sodus	9,208,845	2,192,360	11,401,205	9,377,590	
Three Oaks	8,336,303	2,116,133	10,452,436	9,513,304	
Watervliet	8,301,137	624,094	8,925,231	7,485,096	
Weesaw	5,921,557	3,018,364	8,939,921	7,585,735	
TOTAL	359,899,257	69,451,755	429,351,012	357,664,945	
CITIES					
Benton Harbor	40,128,106	26,990,271	67,118,377	64,202,039	
Bridgman	6,567,445	1,439,795	8,007,240	6,381,465	
Buchanan	15,462,375	14,676,949	30,139,321	26,440,513	
Coloma	5,831,891	2,014,058	7,845,949	6,788,362	
New Buffalo	8,278,995	770,612	9,049,607	7,319,692	
Niles	41,235,159	22,758,190	63,993,349	56,071,541	
St. Joseph	50,127,883	39,897,096	90,024,979	81,024,979	
Watervliet	4,597,344	3,861,526	8,459,470	7,749,598	
TOTAL CITIES	172,319,789	103,408,497	275,728,286	241,519,067	
COUNTY	\$532,219,046	\$172,860,252	\$705,079,298	\$599,184,012	